

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5407

AN ACT

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to promote comprehensive campus mental health and suicide prevention plans, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Enhancing Mental
3 Health and Suicide Prevention Through Campus Planning
4 Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. ENCOURAGING CAMPUS COMPREHENSIVE MENTAL**
6 **HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION PLANS.**

7 Part L of title VIII of the Higher Education Act of
8 1965 (20 U.S.C. 11611 et seq.) is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating section 826 as section 827;

10 and

11 (2) by inserting after section 825 the following
12 new section:

13 **“SEC. 826. ENCOURAGING CAMPUS COMPREHENSIVE MEN-**
14 **TAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION**
15 **PLANS.**

16 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make efforts
17 to encourage institutions of higher education to develop
18 and implement evidence-based comprehensive campus
19 mental health and suicide prevention plans. Such efforts—

20 “(1) shall be conducted in coordination with the
21 Secretary of Health and Human Services (acting
22 through the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health
23 and Substance Use);

24 “(2) shall align with—

1 “(A) the efforts and approaches rec-
2 ommended by the Suicide Prevention Resource
3 Center;

4 “(B) the programs authorized under sec-
5 tion 9032 of the 21st Century Cures Act (42
6 U.S.C. 290bb–36b note; Public Law 114–255),
7 the amendments made by section 9031 of such
8 Act to section 520E–2 of the Public Health
9 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 290bb–36b), and the
10 amendment made by section 9033 of such Act
11 to part D of title V of the Public Health Service
12 Act (42 U.S.C. 290dd et seq.); and

13 “(C) the programs authorized under the
14 Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act (42 U.S.C.
15 201 note; Public Law 108–355);

16 “(3) shall take into consideration existing Fed-
17 eral and State efforts to address mental health and
18 suicide prevention at institutions of higher edu-
19 cation; and

20 “(4) may be carried out in collaboration with
21 nonprofit organizations, community-based organiza-
22 tions that partner with institutions of higher edu-
23 cation, and other experts and stakeholders in the
24 field of campus mental health and suicide preven-
25 tion.

1 “(b) REPORTS.—The Secretary shall report to the
2 Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Rep-
3 resentatives and the Committee on Health, Education,
4 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate on the efforts of the
5 Secretary carried out under this section—

6 “(1) not later than one year after the date of
7 enactment of the Enhancing Mental Health and Sui-
8 cide Prevention Through Campus Planning Act; and

9 “(2) three years after the date of enactment of
10 such Act.

11 “(c) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall
12 be construed as creating new statutory requirements for
13 institutions of higher education or granting the Secretary
14 new regulatory authority.”.

Passed the House of Representatives June 23, 2022.

Attest:

Clerk.

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